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Re: Initial Application of St. Joseph Health Services of Rhode Island, Roger Williams Hospital, Roger Williams Medical Center, and CharterCARE Health Partners (the "Transacting Parties") under the Rhode Island Hospital Conversions Act, Rhode Island General Laws, Chapter 23-17.14 (the "Act").

## Dear Counsel:

In accordance with Rhode Island General Laws (R.I.Gen Laws) §23-17.14-10(a)(2), the Department of Attorney General ("Attorney General") and the Department of Health ("HEALTH") have reviewed the Initial Application and additional information in the above entitled matter and notify you in your capacities as legal counsel to the Transacting Parties that the application is accepted for review.

If you have any questions or need assistance, please contact: For the Attorney General, please contact Maureen G. Glynn, Assistant Attorney General and Health Care Advocate, 274-4400 ext. 2301; and for the Department of HEALTH, Fernanda da Costa, Chief, Health Programs Evaluation, 222-1625.

Sincerely,

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